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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

(HONORABLE MARILYN L. HUFF, JUDGE)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, v. BENJAMIN ZAZUERTA, aka Benjamin Zazuerta-Norzagaray, Defendant.	Criminal Case No. 08cr0896-H **JOINT MOTION TO CONTINUE MOTIONS HEARING AND TRIAL SETTING**

COMES NOW the defendant BENJAMIN ZAZUERTA, by and through his counsel, Ricardo M. Gonzalez, and the plaintiff, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, through its counsel, Karen P. Hewett, United States Attorney, and Andrew G. Schopler, Assistant United States Attorney, and jointly move the court to continue the motions hearing and trial setting date of defendant Benjamin Zazuerta in the above-entitled cause before the Honorable Marilyn L. Huff, United States District Court Judge, from Monday, May 12, 2008, at 2:00 P.M., to Thursday, June 5, 2008, at 2:00 A.M., a date and time which has been cleared with Thelma Mason, Court Clerk.

This motion is based on the following grounds: the defense only recently took over the case from Federal Defenders and received the discovery in the case. The defense needs additional time to review and negotiate the case with government counsel.

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Therefore, the parties request that this court grant the joint motion for a continuance of the motions hearing and trial setting date currently scheduled for May 12, 2008, at 2:00 P.M. to Thursday, June 5, 2008, at 2:00 P.M.

Counsel for defendant, Ricardo M. Gonzalez, certifies that the content of this document is acceptable to all persons required to sign the document and obtained the authorization for the electronic signature of all parties on this document.

Dated: May 7, 2008

s/Ricardo M. Gonzalez
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Dated: May 7, 2008

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